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**Subject:** RE: BP Whiting Spill Update

Hey Ronna,

Thanks for keeping us in the loop. I spoke with BP about our letter and they had similar answers that I've been able to read in the news. A more long term question we still have in the office is what went wrong? Was it a lack of oversight or regulation? Essentially, how can we be helpful in ensuring this doesn't happen again, especially in other refineries?

All the best,

Ronna

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**Subject:** BP Whiting Spill Update

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Coast Guard were on site yesterday to oversee day eight of cleanup operations following the oil spill into Lake Michigan that BP reported on March 24.

All containment boom along the beach has been removed except for boom encircling the BP outfall. Sunday, 35 survey points on the bottom of the cove were evaluated for submerged oil. Currently, there is no indication of any submerged oil in the surveyed area of Lake Michigan.

Please note that EPA has been posting updates and photos at this webpage:

<http://www.epa.gov/region5/newsevents/bp-whiting-spill/index.html>

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